



Map of active partnerships CEN/MINARM
(01/01/2022)

- In progress
- Extension in progress



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PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN ARMED FORCES (FRENCH MOD) AND CONSERVANCIES OF NATURAL AREAS (CEN)

a story since 1991!

To preserve the biodiversity of its sites the French MoD has set up a number of ecology partnerships. The Conservancies of Natural Areas (NGO) is one most important and oldest ecology partners. The first initiatives were local, then the collaboration between the armed forces and the CENs took on a national dimension.

➔ Historical background

- ▶ **1st agreement** between a CEN and French MoD : 27th May 1991
- ▶ Longest duration of a partnership CEN/French MoD: more than **25 years** in Nouvelle-Aquitaine (Montmorillon military camp and the Avon training land)
- ▶ **16** CENs engaged in a partnership with the French Ministry of Armed Forces.

➔ As of 01/01/2022 the partnership is:

- ▶ **47 military lands** in an active partnership with the CENs (about **80,000 ha**)
- ▶ The Natura 2000 sites concerns **22 military lands** in active partnership with a CEN
- ▶ **1 national agreement** between the French Ministry of Armed Forces and the Federation of CENs, extended in 2015 for 10 years
- ▶ **3 LIFE projects** between the CENs network and the French MoD: "Défense Natur 2 mil" (2012-2017), "NaturArmy" (2019-2024), "La Valbonne" (2019-2028). Are involved the CEN Rhône-Alpes, CEN Nouvelle-Aquitaine, CEN Champagne-Ardenne, CEN Loir et Cher, CEN PACA, and CEN Pays de la Loire
- ▶ The Land Army is the 1st user of military lands involved in a partnership with a CEN: **35 military lands** used by the Land Army have already been agreed with a CEN, being **164,000 ha** (or 48% of the real estate occupied by the Land Army)

